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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7007

BILL NUMBER: SB 336

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 3, 2011

BILL AMENDED: Feb 3, 2011

SUBJECT: Purdue University Fire Department.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Alting

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill allows the Board of Trustees of Purdue University to establish a fire department (Purdue fire department) for the West Lafayette campus, with fire and emergency response and medical services jurisdiction on the West Lafayette campus and streets passing through and adjacent to the campus. It allows the Board of Trustees to enter into agreements and interlocal cooperation agreements on behalf of the fire department.

The bill provides that the fire chief of the Purdue fire department is an assistant to the State Fire Marshal.

The bill requires the Purdue fire department to comply with an order issued by the Fire and Building Safety Division directing the fire department to assist the Division.

The bill includes a fire department established by a state educational institution in the definition of "unit" for purposes of participation in the statewide mutual aid program. It specifies that the board of trustees of Purdue University may opt out of participating in the statewide mutual aid program.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: Purdue University currently is the only state educational institution with its own fire department, so there should be no fiscal impact from the provision that allows Purdue to establish a fire department. Allowing the Board of Trustees to enter into agreements, interlocal cooperation agreements, and mutual aid agreements on behalf of the fire department could reduce fire expenses in the area and provide greater support. The agreements also would help reduce or eliminate any liability issues that might occur with Purdue University's fire department and other local fire departments working together

during a disaster.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Purdue University.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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